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1. PRC OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY (NCNA) OCTOBER 9 CARRIED FULL TEXT OF JOINT " PRESS COMMUNIQUE ON VISIT OF PRESIDENT OF GABON TO CHINA".. IF STILL UNAVAILABLE LIVERVILLE, WE WILL PROVIDE TEXT UPON REQUEST.

2. WITH REGARD TO COMMENTS VY VICE-PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING ON THE SIGNING OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION AGREEMENT AND TRADE AGREEMENT, NCNA OCTOBER 6 QUOTED TENG AS STATING THAT "THIS IS AN IMPORTNAT STEP IN DEVELOPING THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN CHINA AND GABON". DETAILS OF THE AGREEMENTS ARE NOT RPT NOT USUALLY RELEASED BY THE CHINESE SIDE.

CONCERNING REF (A)'S PARA THREE, GABON'S LIST OF COMMODITIES WAS PRESUMABLY PRESENTED DIRECTLY TO THE PRC IN PEKING (SEE REF (B)). THE HONG KONG TRADE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL CONFIRMED TO THE CONSULATE THAT IT

DISCUSSED ONLY EXPANSION OF BILATERAL HONG KONG-GABON
TRADE WITH SIX MEMBERS OF BONGO'S 110 - MAN ENTOURAGE. AS OF
AUGUST 1974, HONG KONG EXPORTS TO GABON ARE VALUED AT
\$120,000, WHILE HONG KONG IMPORTS FROM GABON ARE NIL.
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